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AMENDMENT BEFORE ACTION

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Sir:

Attached is an "Amendment Before Action" in the subject
application.

Any additional fee due should be charged to deposit account
09-0948. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.607(c), the examiner is advised that this amendment presents claims copied from United States patent 4,988,617 issued January 29, 1991. Specifically, the amendment presents new claims 29-47 which correspond exactly to claims 1-19 of patent 4,988,617. To avoid error, the amendment presents these new claims 29-47 in the form of a reproduction of claims 1-19 as they appear in patent 4,988,617 but with appropriate renumbering.

Please add the following new claims 29-47: